

HARMONY IS THE WATCHWORD OF THE NEW YORK DEMOCRACY.

PALMER SAYS DEMOCRATS WILL WIN THE STATE

To the Editor of the Journal:

Believe the Democrats of this State will work together this Fall and will succeed.

G. M. PALMER, Democratic leader of the Assembly.

The Party Is United and Stands Shoulder to Shoulder in the Fight for Supremacy in the Coming State and National Campaigns, and the Leaders in All Sections Predict a Clean Sweep for Democracy and an Overwhelming Defeat of Boss Platt and the Republican Cohorts.

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From ocean to lakes, from the Southern tier to the Adirondacks, Democratic ranks are solid.

There is but one faction and that is the whole party.

Personal ambition is to be swept aside for party success.

Loyalty to the grand principles of the party is to replace quibbling over old issues.

This city joins with all the river counties in the demand for peace and unity. The border counties have lent their voices to the demand.

The result has been the unrolling of a glorious prospect of success. The Democracy is on the eve of being swept into full control of State affairs.

Through its most experienced correspondents in the various judicial districts, the Journal has learned the spirit that is animating the Democrats. Already they have established an abiding peace within their own households. Now they are bucking on their armor and gathering their forces to meet the enemy.

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crats are in close fighting array. They are fired with hope and courage, for it is the Republican forces that now are scattered.

The need of ridding the State of Republican control has brought into active work again many influential Democrats who have of late been idle. In effect this is a new movement. It will give a powerful impulse to the Democratic stream.

Here are a few expressions of opinion, showing briefly the hopes that stir Democratic hearts:

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Senator Mackey, of Erie—I never saw a time when less friction existed in the party. Things point unerringly to a great victory.

Mayor Warner, of Rochester—Democrats are united.

State Committeeman Hickey—There is to be a general movement on the enemy's works.

State Committeeman Cutler—Discord and dissensions have been obliterated, and we are going to the polls as a united party.

John B. Stauchfield, of Elmira—There is no doubt of the unity of the party.

Judge Taylor, of Chemung—My belief is that absolute harmony prevails in the ranks of the Democracy.

ALL IS HARMONY IN THE RIVER COUNTIES.

ALBANY, Sept. 23.—Not in many years has there been such a united and aggressive Democracy as there is to-day in the counties of Albany, Rensselaer, Columbia, Greene, Ulster, Schoharie and Sullivan, which comprise the Third Judicial District of the State.

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guarantees party success."

"We shall all join in supporting the Democratic ticket."

Mayor Molloy of Troy says:

"Signs were never better for Democratic success than this Fall. The Democrats are together. I do not know of any Democratic elements of importance that will not be with us in the battle this Fall. We are sure to win."

Past Differences Forgotten.

Reports from Major Hinkley's districts are that the party was never in better shape there. Major Hinkley keeps in close touch with the situation all over the State. He said recently:

"The party is in a first rate condition. All past differences seem to have been forgotten in the quite unanimous desire for an amalgamation of New York Democrats on the common ground of Democratic principles, so that success in the State campaign is assured."

Assemblyman George M. Palmer, of Schoharie, Democratic leader in the Assembly, "prospects for a Democratic victory were never brighter. The high tax rate, the unfair assessments, official extravagance, wicked legislation, and many other examples of Republican corruption are matters that the Republican leaders cannot explain to the satisfaction of the people. What about the 'canal' is a cry that cannot be stillied by weak protestations of honesty, which are denied and proved false by official acts protective of crime. Democratic success will come next election day."

PEACE PREVAILS IN SCHENECTADY.

SCHENECTADY, Sept. 23.—The Democrats of Schenectady County are thoroughly earnest and sincere in their endeavor to live in harmony and peace during the coming campaign.

The heretofore warring factions fully realize the importance of the results of the great conflict of come next year, and a determined and well organized effort to be made to place victory on the side of the Democratic party this Fall.

The first time since '96 the silver and gold men are thoroughly united in the determination and effort to redeem this county, which is normally Democratic.

The nominee of the Democracy for member of Assembly will undoubtedly be former District Attorney Schoolcraft, who is very popular with the people and will bring out the full strength of the party in all other nominations the guide will be harmony.

The party has an excellent chance of winning in both Montgomery and Washington counties, owing to the dissensions that exist among the Republicans.

In Washington County the old fight is on again between the Baker and Burleigh forces, and is more bitter than ever before.

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DEMOCRATS UNITED FOR NATIONAL CAMPAIGN.

To the Editor of the Journal:

The Democrats of Ontario County are thoroughly united this Fall and indications are that the nominee of the next Democratic National Convention will receive the hearty support of every Democrat in this county.

JOHN FLANNIGAN, former State Committeeman.

fore, Edgar Hull, of Port Edward, formerly one of Baker's chief henchmen, is an independent candidate for the office of County Judge. He was prominent in the fight by Baker, but at the Snowshoe Convention held last Winter he was turned down at the caucus, and he is now out for the scalp of his former chief.

There is also great dissatisfaction over the Republican nomination for member of Assembly, and the Democrats have grasped the chance by making a strong nomination in the person of Thomas G. Patterson, of Whitehall. They have also endorsed the candidacy of Mr. Hull.

In Montgomery the Democracy is in better shape than the Republicans. There is considerable dissension among the latter over the arbitrary manner in which the local ring runs things politically.

The silver and gold men have got together and will conduct a most vigorous campaign. Edward D. Cutler, State Committeeman for this district, said tonight:

"It causes me pleasure to say to the Journal that the Democratic party is to-day more thoroughly united than it has been since before the Presidential campaign in 1896."

"The members of the party fully realize that there cannot be victory with discord prevailing. During the past few months all discord and dissensions have been obliterated, and we are going into our conventions and to the polls a united party."

"If harmony will win this Fall, then we

to-day John L. Shea will be nominated for Sheriff. He was always well liked in Brooklyn, but since he helped Comptroller Coier to block the Ramapo job he is, next to the Comptroller, the most popular man in that borough.

William Walton, the present Deputy Comptroller of Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, will probably head the nomination for Register.

There will be no opposition to John F. Clark for the office of District Attorney.

Conrad Heister, a popular German from the Eastern District, is talked of for County Clerk, and J. W. Kimball will probably be renominated as County Treasurer.

The leaders are confident not only that the ticket will be elected this Fall, but they expect to increase the majority of last year.

GREATER NEW YORK DEMOCRACY UNITED.

DEMOCRATIC leaders of the Greater New York, particularly those who have been involved in factional fights at the recent primaries, bear testimony that their organizations are getting together for the pending conflict. Except in a single district of the entire sixty-one (the Ninth New York) old wounds seem to have been completely healed. John C. Sheehan, who won out in that district, avows again, however, that he is loyal to Tammany and so are his followers.

Other successful as well as defeated district leaders unite in saying that their organizations have been simply torn apart and they accept the results of the primaries without complaint.

From over a dozen counties, where the forces of Hugh McLaughlin captured each of the twenty-one districts, come expressions of good will toward Tammany and declarations that no friction whatever exists between the two organizations.

What is true of New York and Kings is also true of the sister counties of Queens and Richmond. John B. Muldoon, leader of the Queens, and Nicholas Muller, chief of the Richmond County Democracy, report unity and enthusiasm among their followers.

One thing that has welded the Republican and County Democracy is the contest for municipal ownership of the Staten Island Ferry. Leader

Waller is making this an issue in the campaign and expects to win handsomely on it.

Statements from leaders in counties in the Greater New York follow:

John C. Sheehan—I can only repeat what I have heretofore said, that the fight in the Ninth District was one within organization and not outside of them. The Ninth District organization is only too willing to work in harmony with the Central organization, and make certain of Democratic victory this Fall, as well as in the Presidential contest next year.

John L. Shea, Chairman of the Kings County Democratic Executive Committee—I know of no political dissension between the Kings and the New York County organizations. I believe they will work in absolute harmony this Fall and the Presidential year for a Democratic triumph. The strongest possible nominations for Assembly will be made in our county and we hope to increase our representation in the lower house at Albany.

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PLATT WOULD LIKE TO DROP ROOSEVELT

The Governor's Chances All Depend on Political Weather.

IF IT'S FAIR HE LOSES.

In That Case the Boss Will Run a Man Like Odell for the Place.

The Republican machine wants to get rid of Governor Roosevelt. Incidents indicating that this is a fact occur daily.

Yesterday's incident was an enthusiastic discussion at Republican headquarters of the statement of Chairman Dick, of Ohio, that Secretary of War Root would make a fine candidate for Vice-President.

But the enthusiasm over the suggestion about Root slid quickly to Roosevelt and grew in intensity. Everybody knows that Senator Platt is satisfied with Root as War Secretary. Everybody knows also that the Senator is satisfied with Roosevelt as a gubernatorial candidate when the Republican party is being buffeted in a heavy sea and is facing a head wind.

But when the sea is smooth and the weather calm, then the Senator wants for a gubernatorial candidate a typical machine man like Odell.

If the Senator could definitely learn what the weather would be next year he would settle the fate of Roosevelt forthwith. But he doesn't know and so he is standing with one hand wondering what hole he will shoot Roosevelt at.

As chairman of the Republican State Committee, Odell thinks he ought to be nominated for Governor, an honor which he narrowly missed in 1896. Yesterday he dodged a question as to the availability of Root for Vice-President. If Vice-President Hobart is too ill to accept a renomination he wants the place left open for Roosevelt. Then the Republican success seems fairly certain next year a plan will be hatched to force Roosevelt to run second on the Presidential ticket and to secure for Odell the nomination for Governor.

There will be no hope for Roosevelt if the Republican sea should happen to be smooth. He will have to abandon hope for a second term as Governor, and take his chance of securing the nomination for Vice-President or retiring to private life.

This being the situation Roosevelt naturally is a strong supporter of Root for Vice-President, of Lieutenant-Governor Woodruff or of any other man who will protect him from the plotters.

It is said that Platt has suggested Woodruff's name, but that he did it coyly. In other words the Senator wants to man ready to put forward for Vice-President honors in case Vice-President Hobart retires, and a necessity arises to renominate Roosevelt.

It is said that Mark Hanna laughed loudly when Woodruff's name was mentioned to him. Woodruff, however, is in earnest about it. He wants to be a candidate for Governor or Vice-President or something else, and is growing rampant in his demands.

But Platt is not worrying about Woodruff. He can turn him down without fear of trouble.

Odell's friends are watching the situation. The moment Odell gives the word they will begin a vociferous demand that he be nominated for Governor.

And Platt will lend a willing ear to the cry if he can safely do so.

Veteran Firemen Want the Tax.

The veteran firemen of the Borough of Queens met in Jamaica last night and formed a permanent borough association. One of the objects of the association is to get the 2 per cent insurance companies doing business in this State, with by law goes to volunteer fire companies and veterans.

A Trial Proves the Fact